

Welcome to another school year! I'm sure you and your children will enjoy this introductory study of American History. You may find that your Instructor's Guide has plenty of suggested reading, discussion, and activities to keep you busy - but for those times when you would like to have something a bit different, you will find some fun and helpful suggestions on these tip sheets!

Remember, you have 36 weeks to get everything done ... so don't burn yourself out early on by trying to do too much at the beginning of the year.



Teaching Moments and Hands-On Activities

- Bible Reading
 - Lessons 204-208 at <http://children.ccm.com/NTTableOfContents.pdf>
 - Birth of Jesus - <http://biblestoryhour.blogspot.com/2009/05/unit-2-lesson-1-jesus-is-born.html>
- *The Discoverer's Bible for Young Readers*
 - Lessons 001-002, 004-005, 008 at <http://children.ccm.com/OTTableOfContents.pdf>
 - Creation - <http://biblestoryhour.blogspot.com/2009/03/unit-1-lesson-1-adam-and-eve.html>
 - Adam and Eve - <http://biblestoryhour.blogspot.com/2009/04/unit-1-lesson-1b-adam-and-eve.html>
 - Noah - <http://biblestoryhour.blogspot.com/2009/04/unit-1-lesson-2-noah.html>
- Memorization
 - Activities - <http://biblestoryhour.blogspot.com/2009/09/unit-3-sing-psalm-of-joy-psalm-8.html>
- *Pedro's Journal*
 - Reader's Theater - <http://teacherlink.ed.usu.edu/tlresources/units/Byrnes-celebrations/readers.html>
 - Interactive learning activity - www.bbc.co.uk/schools/famouspeople/standard/columbus/index.shtml#focus
 - Biography and activities - <http://gardenofpraise.com/ibdcolum.htm>
 - Coloring pages - <http://patrioticcoloringpages.com/american-history/001-christopher-columbus.html>
- *Walk the World's Rim*
 - Maps, source documents, and more information about Cabeza deVaca's trail: www.floridahistory.com/cabeza.html
- *A Lion to Guard Us*
 - Literature unit for 4th and 5th grade students: www.brighthub.com/education/k-12/articles/3003.aspx
 - Printables and activities: www.homeschoolshare.com/a_lion_to_guard_us.php
 - Online video about the *Sea Venture*: www.historyisfun.org/sea-venture-video.htm